

Customer No. 31013

Atty Docket No. 056001-02943

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the above-identified patent application as amended herein is respectfully requested. Claims 1-13 are pending in the subject application and have been examined on the merits.

Applicants have amended the specification to update the cross-referencing information to the related patent applications.

In the Office Action, claims 1-13 have been rejected on the ground of non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-20 of U.S. Patent No. 6,699,716.

To expedite the allowance of claims 1-13 and without acquiescing to the merits of this rejection, Applicants hereby file a terminal disclaimer over U.S. Patent No. 6,699,716. Thus, withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

In the Office Action, claim 13 was also rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 2, as purportedly being indefinite for failing to recite a structure that one would consider a reactor.

Accordingly, claim 13 has been amended to better recite the structure of a reactor. Thus, amended claim 13 is believed to overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 2, and withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

As such, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1-13 are in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

If this *Amendment and Response* does not otherwise result in the issue of such Notice, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact the Applicants' undersigned counsel for an interview.

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No extra fee is believed due. However, if any additional fees are necessary, the Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0540.

Respectfully submitted,

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